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May Meeting

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May Raffle Prizes

1. 2 1/2 Peso Gold
2. 1896 Silver Dollar
3. Nills Nov. Co./GF 5¢ IT (SLC)
4. Z/GF 5¢ drink or cigar (Park City)
5. AB/GF 5 IT (Park City)
6. Woodward/GF 5¢ IT (Tremonton)
7. W. S. Co. Castle Gate/ GF 1 Exploder
8. Yellos Bus Co., Corvallis Ore/GF 1 ride more

Next Meeting

The next club meeting will be held May 26 at 7:15 p.m.

President's Message

Dear NUTS:

Our last meeting was very successful as a bourse night. Many trades and sales were made. Many club members left happy. Others weren't fast enough.

This month's meeting we will have a speaker. Harry Campbell will talk on tokens and how to research them. He will also describe what he has seen new. We always have a good turnout when Harry speaks, so come early and get a good seat.

In June we will have Doug Wright speak on "Tintic Mining Towns: Their Tokens and History." Doug is very busy, but he has committed to speak in June.

Our medals will be for sale at this meeting. I have seen the proofs and they look great. The cost is \$3.60 per medal. This is 50¢ less than the actual cost to the club. Get them before they are all sold out. Only 100 were minted and they will go on sale at the Show for \$4.50.

We are still working on our club patches.

We almost have a complete sell out of the tables for the show. Only 2 tables are left and we expect them to be gone soon. We still need members to help in passing out flyers, helping with set up/take down, the hospitality table, etc.

See you at Frisco,

Bob

What's New

While detecting in a yard in Tooele, club officer Bill Turpela found this unlisted token:



Obv.: Charles Billards/Tooele/Utah

Rev.: Good For 1¢/In Trade

We need your new finds to show off in the Token Hunter!

Wagonmaster Notes

The weekend of the Fish Springs trip it was raining quite a bit. Those who went were rewarded with good weather and a good time although no coins or tokens were found.

Our next trip will be to Frisco, Utah, on May 28-30. Last year club members found three tokens from Frisco and a number of coins. For those new to the club, tokens from Frisco that say "Frisco" on them are valued by most to be at least \$100 tokens. It was one of the wild and wooly towns of the West.

At this time I am not sure if there will be a group of club members leaving from the Redwood Multipurpose Center on the morning of May 28th. This will be discussed at our next club meeting. The Frisco trip will be one of the big ones of the year. It is so popular among club members that it is the only town that the clubs visits every year.

Our Nevada trip will be on June 11 and 12 and has been planned by John Nutting. We will be going to Delamar. John has asked me to print the following:

Delamar Nevada 1892 - 1909

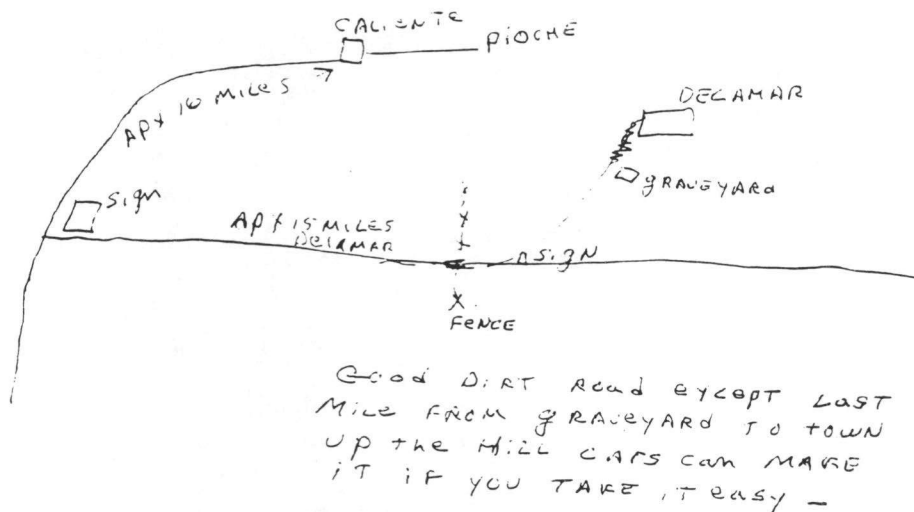
Named after Capt. John De Lamar of Montana, this town grew to 3,000 people in 1897. The camp and mine area were first discovered in 1892 when a tent town, newspaper office, post office and stores were established near the present site of Delamar.

Water was scarce in Delamar and had to be piped in 12 miles. Three thousand people had to share 40 gallons of water/per minute. Maybe Eric can calculate this in how many glasses of water 3,000 people can drink in a day and still take a bath.

Water caused two very unusual tokens to be made. One type is good for a bath and the other group are good for 5, 10, 30, and 40 gallons of water. Of course they had a couple of saloons with tokens and about twelve different stores. And, I'm sure 3,000 people lost many coins and tokens in Delamar.

Numerous rock structures are in the area and are great for picture taking.

I will be there a day early to mark roads with signs if needed. Try to spend 3 days if possible. Sneak an extra day off.



SEE YOU IN JUNE - BRING
Plenty of Water and Insect Repel?
JOHN NUTTING

Coin Show Talk

This month I would like to encourage all of our club members to take the time to enter an exhibit in this year's show. There are seven categories and they are open to any member of a Utah Coin Club.

I'll give you a short description of each category and maybe it will help you decide which category is best for you

1. Tokens: These are items issued unofficially as a medium of exchange for goods and services or for advertising.

2. Medals: Medallic items issued in any country, not used as an exchange medium. This also includes items such as military medals, decorations, orders and badges, and medals commemorating persons, places, or events.

3. U.S. and/or Foreign Coins: Simply put, this includes any coins issued by the United States of America or Foreign Governments, and also includes ancient, medieval, and modern coins.

4. Currency and Scripophily: Any type of paper money, U.S. or foreign. Also such items as stock certificates, scrip, checks, documents, and other similar paper items.

5. Junior: this category is open to any member 18 years of age or under. This is an open category and juniors may exhibit any of the material listed in the categories here described. Juniors will be judged only with other juniors.

6. Hand held collectibles: This category is the only one of its kind offered by a Utah Club. It is open to any type of small collectable (other than the others listed) that you want to exhibit, such as bottles, keys, watches, or just about anything that is small enough to fit in the display case.

7. Non-competitive: Material listed in the categories may be submitted as non-competitive upon approval of the exhibit chairman. Such exhibits may not contain commercial advertising and are assigned space only if it is available. They will be clearly labeled non-competitive.

Judging is done by 3 judges selected by the exhibit chairman. The point system used is the same one used by the American Numismatic Association and a copy of it is printed on the exhibit application. Awards are given to all competitive participants. Two special awards are given for the Best of Show and People's Choice. Best of Show is given to the exhibit with the highest point total. People's Choice is voted on by the visitors to our show. The exhibit that receives the most votes wins the trophy. Last, but not least, display cases are provided free of charge to exhibitors.

As you can see, anyone can enter, so fill in an application and send it to Norm Johnson, this year's exhibit chairman. I'm sure you will be glad you did.

We're coming down to the wire again. Only one month from now we will be holding our 4th Annual Coin and Token Show. Table sales have been very good. We still need your help distributing flyers and at the hospitality table. Don't let someone else do it, lend a hand and lets make this year's show the best one yet.

George

Town List

Its finally here - the club town list and rarity and pricing guide. A tremendous amount of work has been done on this project (believe it or not) but it can only be successful if each club member, particularly those who have been "around" for a long time, does his part and completes the enclosed questionnaire. The cover memo explains the project. We need your input, and we need it fast, if we are going to have a finished product by show time. Thanks!

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The Davich Papers - Installment IV

NAME: ASCHEIM, M.S.Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Park City Treasurer Book(from June 1892 to July 1903)

Issued a Retail liquor license on the following dates, cost of \$150.00 per quarter.
7-9-1892....9-16-1892....12-19-1892....3-30-1893.....7-25-1893...12-19-1893.....
3-14-1894....6-13-1894....9-13-1894....3-13-1895....6-14-1895.....9-18-1895.....
12-27-1895....3-13-1896....6-27-1896....9-29-1896....12-30-1896....6-19-1897.....
4-3-1900....9-25-1900....12-27-1900....3-22-1901....6-24-1901....9-18-1901.....
12-18-1901....6-4-1902....9-22-1902...12-1-1902....4-1-1903.....6-29-1903...

NOTE: The Ascheim Store was located at one time, where the present Veterans Memorial Building is located. Ascheim sold out to Blythe-Fargo in 1902, but the records of licensing show the last date of license issue was on 6-29-1903.

NOTE: A complete set from Ascheim is the following: 5¢...10¢...25¢...50¢..and \$1.00

DESCRIPTION of token in collection.(5¢)

OBVERSE: M.S.ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO....PARK CITY
A dot(.) appears after Co. A dot(.) appears after CITY.
..*.. is found below the wording of M.S. ASCHEIM.
Dashed border.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 5¢ IN MERCHANDISE. A dot(.) found before IN.Dashed border.
Token is 19mm in size and of brass metal.



NAME: M.S.ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO.Park City Utah

DESCRIPTION of token in collection:(10¢)

OBVERSE: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO, ...Park City U.
A scroll and a Star(*) appears in the center, with several periods(.) noted,after the lettering.A dashed(/) border is noted on the obverse.

REVERSE: Good for 10¢ in Merchandise.A dashed(/) border appears all around the token.Token is 24MM in size, and of Brass Metal.

DESCRIPTION of token in collection(25¢)

OBVERSE: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO....Park City U.
A scroll and a Star(*) appears in the center, with several periods(.) noted, after the lettering. A dashed(/) is noted on the obverse.

REVERSE: Good for 25¢ in Merchandise. A dashed(/) border appears all around the token. Token is 26MM in size, and of Brass Metal.



NAME: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO.Park City Utah

DESCRIPTION of token in collection(50¢).Die Variety number one(1)

OBVERSE: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO,.....Park City(No letter U.after City)

A Scroll and a Star(*) appears in the center, with several periods(.) noted after the lettering. A dashed(/) border is noted on the obverse.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR 50¢ in Merchandise. A dashed(/) border appears all around the token. Token is 28MM in size, and of Brass Metal.

DESCRIPTION of token in collection(50¢).....Die variety number two(2)

Note this die variety number two(2) is identical to variety number(one) listed above, except after the wording of "PARK CITY", a large letter "U", which would indicate UTAH, does appear.

DESCRIPTION of token in collection(\$1.00)

OBVERSE: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO. PARK CITY U.

A scroll and a Star(*) appears in the center, with several periods(.) noted after the lettering. A dashed(/) border is noted.

REVERSE: GOOD FOR \$1.00 IN MERCHANDISE. A dashed(/) border appears all around the token. The token is 33 MM in size, and of brass metal.

RUBBINGS OF 50¢(die variety number one and
number two) plus rubbing of
\$1.00 token appear on the following
page.

NAME: M.S. ASCHEIM MERCANTILE CO.Park City Utah

DESCRIPTION OF 50¢(die variety number one) and 50¢ die variety number two,
plus the \$1.00 listed below.

SPECIAL NOTE: Die variety number one and die variety number two, placed on the
50¢ piece for file purposes, and catalog system only.

DIE VARIETY # 1

50¢

DIE VARIETY #2



NAME: _ ASCHEIM, M.S. _Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Mercantile Agency Book HF 5573-D7(Folio) now published as Dunn and Bradstreet Book(Photo copies from Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Ascheim, M.S....General Store.....1883
Ascheim, M.S....General Store.....1885(also in Anaconda, Montana)
Ascheim, M.S....General Store.....1886(also in Anaconda, Montana)
Ascheim, M.S....General Store.....1887(also in Anaconda, Montana)
Ascheim, M.S....General Store.....1889(also in Anaconda, Montana)
Ascheim, M.S....Mercantile Co.....1890.
Ascheim, M.S....Mercantile Co.....1901

REFERENCE: Utah State Gazetteers(zerox copies of the Park City Merchants)

Ascheim, M.S....General Store for the following years:....1879....1880...1884...
1888....1892...1893...1900..

NOTES:See add for year of 1888.....See add for year of 1892-93.

Following listing for the year of 1900:...Robert C. Chambers, President.
James D. Murdock, Vice-President. Charles L. Rood, Treasurer, Salon Spiro,
Secretary and Manager.

Listing for the year of 1903-1904:...Thomas H. Blyth, President.....
Lyman Fargo, Vice-President.....Robert S. Fargo, Secretary, Treasurer & Manager.

REFERENCE:Park City Recorder Book #2(from 9-5-1888 to 2-15-1898)

Retail liquor license issued on the following dates:....10-2-1895...12-28-1895...
4-1-1896....7-1-1896.....10-1-1896....4-7-1897.

REFERENCE: Park City Recorder Book #3(from 3-1-1899 to July 20, 1904).

Retail liquor license issued on the following dates: 10-4-1899...12-28-1899....
2-3-1904.....4-6-1904.

REFERENCE:Park City Recorder Book # 4(from 1904 to 1908)

Retail liquor license issued on the following dates:...10-5-1904..5-3-1905..7-5-1905.

REFERENCE: Park City Treasurer Book(from June 1892 to July 1903)

Issued a first class merchant license on the following dates, cost of \$30.00
per quarter.

7-9-1892....9-16-1892....12-19-1892...3-30-1893.....7-25-1893...12-19-1893...
3-14-1894...6-13-1894...9-13-1894...3-13-1895...6-14-1895...9-18-1895...12-27-1895....
3-13-1896...6-27-1896...9-29-1896...12-30-1896....6-19-1897....4-3-1900...9-25-1900...
12-27-1900....3-22-1901....6-24-1901....9-18-1901....12-18-1901....6-4-1902...
9-22-1902....12-1-1902....4-1-1903.....6-29-1903.

NOTE: The Ascheim store was burned down in the great fire of 1898, but a new building
was built for business operations.

NAME:

ASCHEIM, M.S.....Park City Utah

SPECIAL NOTE: A letter from John Calhoun, Coordinator for METCA, Box 23, Cataldo, Idaho, 83810, received in February 1972. Points of interest listed below of this letter.

Dear Joe: Received your letter today asking for a 5¢ Ascheim Mercantile token. I am sorry to say that I do not have one.

About 4 years ago I helped dig the old dump at Park City. We got over 500 pieces of this store, they had been in a fire from the dump. We also got over 1,000 bottles. I had these tokens in a bucket in the back of my pick up and they were stolen at night and they started showing up around the coin shows about 3 years ago. To be honest I don't think there were very many 5¢ tokens, but they was plenty of the other denominations.

NAME:

ASCHEIM, M.S....

Park City Utah

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book Starting in 1888.

M.S. ASCHEIM, issued a retail liquor license on the following dates, cost per quarter being \$150.00. Issued on: ...9-12-1888...12-17-1888...3-21-1889....
6-18-1889....9-30-1889....12-23-1889....3-26-1890...6-20-1890....9-25-1890....
12-22-1890....3-26-1891....10-21-1891....1-26-1892...7-9-1892....9-17-1892....
12-19-1892....3-30-1893...7-25-1893....9-19-1893...12-19-1893...3-14-1894....
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12-27-1895....3-13-1896....6-27-1896....9-29-1896....12-30-1896....3-18-1897....
6-19-1897....9-20-1899....12-28-1899.

M.S. ACHEIM, Issued a MERCHANT LICENSE ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: Cost per quarter being \$30.00. Issued on: 9-14-1888....12-17-1888....3-21-1889....6-18-1889....
9-30-1889....12-23-1889....3-26-1890....6-20-1890....9-25-1890...12-22-1890....
3-26-1891...10-21-1891...1-26-1892...3-16-1892...7-9-1892...9-17-1892...
12-19-1892...3-20-1892...7-25-1893...9-19-1893...12-19-93...3-14-1894...
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6-19-1897...9-15-1897...12-13-1897...3-18-1898...6-14-1898.

SPECIAL NOTE: According to Fraser Bucks, Book he states that Ascheim sold out to Blyth Fargo Company in 1902. But according to licenses issued to Ascheim, a merchant license was issued last on 6-29-1903.

REFERENCE: Park City License Register Book (Starting in 1900 to 1903)

M.S. ASCHEIM, issued a retail liquor license on the following dates: cost \$150.00 per quarter. Issued on: 4-3-1900...6-28-1900....9-25-1900....
6-24-1901....9-20-1901...12-24-1901....3-25-1902....6-21-1902....9-20-1902...
12-30-1903...4-1-1903....6-29-1903.

Memorandum

To: NUTS members

From: NUTS Board

Date: May 14, 1988

Re: NUTS Rarity and Popular Pricing Guide for Utah Towns

Welcome to the NUTS Rarity and Popular Pricing Guide for Utah Towns questionnaire. The responses to this questionnaire will be used to produce the guide referred to. The purposes of this project are to: (1) compile a complete list of Utah towns where trade tokens are known to have been used, together with collector information concerning rarity and value of the tokens; and, (2) earn some money (and, hopefully, additional prestige) for the club. The success of this project depends on your participation.

The questionnaire will take some time to complete. Before you start working on it, read through all of the information and familiarize yourself with it. Make sure you understand what is being asked before you respond.

1. A few preliminary matters of importance are: (a) We are trying to keep this as simple as possible, remember that all the way through; (b) We want "first hand" information, this means actual knowledge of tokens and actual knowledge or educated estimates of rarity and prices (in some instances, you may want to leave portions of the questionnaire blank if you cannot make educated estimates); (c) The tokens we are talking about should be in "decent" condition; and, (d) For the most part, we want to include old "good for" trade tokens.

2. Add to the list of town names any towns which we have omitted. There will undoubtedly be some disagreement about what qualifies as a town. We have decided to err of the side of too many rather than too few. Use your best judgment.

3. We are, as mentioned, talking about old "good for" trade tokens, not car wash, food stamp, or other similar "modern" tokens. A number of club members have expressed the feeling that older token-type material should not be excluded. For example, canning company tokens, or related "advertisers," which do not say "good for" but which were obviously good for something and old coupon books which contained "paper tokens" which were good for a certain amount should be included. When it comes to the definition of "old," there seems to be some consensus that the newest kind of token which should be included is the kind represented by the "Bonanza Commissary" tokens. It is, however, difficult to put an exact year on what should and should not be included.

The token types are:

- T1 - The traditional "good for" trade token with the name of the merchant, town, and state on the obverse and "good for _____ in trade," or some variation, on the reverse.
- T2 - Similar to T1, except that no state is listed. The town name is either incorporated into the name of the merchant (e.g., Hooper Amusement Com.) or is listed separately (e.g., Beehive Merc./Manti).
- T3 - A "catch-all" category for old token-type material such as canning company tokens that do not say "good for" or tokens sometimes referred to as "advertisers" which were obviously good for something, and old coupon books. The town from which these come must be clearly identified (no mavericks).
- T4 - Attributed mavericks (e.g., "B" from Highland Boy).

4. Known Token Issuing Merchants - Mark the box only where you know a token from the town was issued by the type of merchant listed. Generally, the words "bakery," "billiards," "co-op," "dairy," or "saloon" must appear on the token. The exception is where the token was obviously issued by one of the listed merchants (i.e., a token that does not say "Bakery" on it but is "good for one loaf of bread" or the Morgan ZCMI token which is obviously a co-op token).

5. The Town Rarity refers to the rarity of the best known token type (T1, T2, T3, or T4) from the town, not just any token from the town. In other words, the rarity for Hooper should be based on the "C.L. Johnston" tokens not on the "Hooper Amusement Com." tokens. For towns like Hooper a note in the "Comments" column may be included to remind people of what the minimum rarity refers to. Note also that in many towns a number of different merchants may have issued T1 tokens. For the purposes of the rarity column, these should be grouped together. In other words, the question is "how rare is a T1 token (issued by whichever merchant) from _____ town."

The rarity code is:

- E = Extremely Rare
- R = Rare
- S = Scarce
- U = Uncommon
- C = Common

By Extremely Rare we mean two or three collectors only are known to own a token from the town, and when one comes up for sale or trade everybody and his dog wants it because hardly anybody has it. By Rare we mean that many of the better collections still do not have an example from this town. Scarce means that most of the more advanced collectors have the town, but they have it because they have scrambled to get it - these towns are tough, in other words. Uncommon towns are towns which probably show up in nearly all of the advanced collections, but there are no significant known caches of them "out there" waiting to be picked up at cheap prices. Common means towns which show up again and again in the stock of dealers in Utah tokens. In other words, there are always some for sale.

Of course, utilizing this code will require some "guess-timation" on the part of everyone, but no more than any other rarity system. It is based on feel, however. If you have no feel for some towns, leave the box blank. Estimate where you can. More information will make for a better final product.

6. Many of the comments in "5." apply to the Minimum Town Value Range column as well. The value applies to the best known token type (T1, T2, T3, or T4 as the case may be) from the town, in decent condition. Estimate as best you can. Assume a relatively strong demand for all good Utah towns. However, the demand for some (ghost/hard rock mining, for example) is higher than others. List a single minimum value. A range will be calculated by the editors after averaging the responses (we'll go plus or minus a certain percentage of the average after throwing out the highest and lowest responses, for example). Maximum participation means better accuracy. Note that everyone's responses will be included in the averaging process as long as they appear reasonable (estimating Mercur at \$15 or Moroni at \$125, for example, would not be considered reasonable).

The cover sheet to the town list will clearly point out that while the Minimum Town Value column refers to the best type of token from the town (T1, T2, T3, or T4), some kinds of tokens, saloon tokens, for example, from the town, may be worth significantly more.

7. Include in the "Comments" column whatever you feel are appropriate comments for a town (such as, for Grantsville, "Rare other than Julie's," or whatever).

Complete your responses as soon as possible. Bring them with you to the May club meeting or send them to 1123 E. 2100 S., SLC, Ut 84108 by June 1.

Thank you for your support in helping complete this important project.